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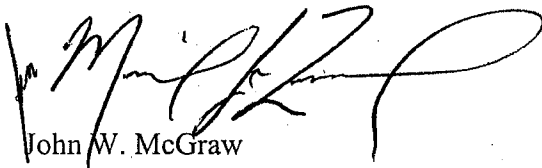
Recent interactions at the Aeronautical Information Services Working Group (AISWG) indicate that additional guidance is required to define "offshore" as it relates to reporting points (both conventional fixes and waypoints). The current guidance uses the term "U.S. Domestic Airspace" which has resulted in fixes as much as 200 nautical miles (NM) from shore designated with a state identifier.

We believe that using the 12-mile territorial limit will clarify the issue. Therefore, effective immediately, Order 8260.19, *Flight Procedures and Airspace*, paragraph 841c, is revised to read as follows (changes are underlined):

c. LOCATION. Enter the two-letter identifier of the state and country or territory in which the fix is located. The state is left blank if the country is other than the U.S. For offshore fixes at or inside the U.S. 12-mile territorial limit, name of the nearest state must be used. If the fix is outside U. S. 12-mile territorial limit, use OA for Offshore Atlantic, OG for Offshore Gulf of Mexico, or OP for Offshore Pacific."

This guidance is self-canceling upon publication of Order 8260.19D.

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